Private airlines to operate routes not touched by Indian Airlines

2184. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the facilities being extended to private airlines to operate in sectors which are not touched by Indian Airlines:

(b) whether it would be advantageous to the entire Civil Aviation sector to have air service in new areas and sectors of country; and

(c) if so, the steps proposed to formulate an air policy in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) While granting permission to new operators, priority is given to those intending to operate on new sectors, particularly to regional airlines planning to cover one or two States intensively. Similarly, preference is given to import of relatively smaller aircraft, which are more suitable for connecting new stations. Further, nonscheduled operators can operate services liberally on sectors not covered by scheduled airlines.

Air links in Andhra Pradesh

2185. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any efforts to increase-private airlines to operate in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that commecially viable centres do not have air connections in Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, what steps are proposed to have air links in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Indian Airlines operates to Hyderabad and Vishakapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. Private operators are operating air services to/from Hyderabad, Vijaywada, Vishakapatnam. Scheduled domestic operators are free to operate to any of the stations open for scheduled operations.

Amount outstanding from G.S.A. to Air India

2186. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION ANDTOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many G.S.A. (General Sales Agencies) have been given by Air India outside the countries;

(b) the names of Air India's G.S.A.'s all over the World;

(c) how many G.S.A. agreements have been cancelled due to defaults by G.S.A. during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95; and

(d) what is the total amount outstanding from the G.S.A.'s to Air India who have defaulted in payment and Action taken to recover the amount?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIA TION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) At present, Air India has a total of 74 GSAs outside India. Out of the above, 41 are airline parties and 33 are private parties. List of these GSAs is annexed as a statement *(see* below).

(c) No GSA agreement has been cancelled due to defaults, however, one GSA, relinquished the agency in 1994.

(d) Only one GSA, located in Saudia Arabia has been delaying payments beyond the credit period permitted and the amount due from this agent as on date is around SAR 8.8 million equivalent to Rs. 7.45 crores. Air India is taking countinuous follow up action for realising the amounts due.

Statement

Names ofG.S.A.s of Air India abroad

PRIVATE PARTIES

S.No	*Name of GSA*
1.	M/s SIMA International Airlines Services
2.	R. Bajada Enterprises Ltd. (P)
3.	Air Borne Co. Ltd. (P)
4.	M/s Open Sari (P)
5.	M/s Gimvale Ltd. (Welcome Travels)
6.	M/s Travel Services (SEY) Ltd.
7.	Chalais Holdings(Canada) Ltd.

S.No	*Nameof GSA*
8.	LRI-Eldorado Representacoes Internacionias
9.	Ultra Laser Corporation
10.	M/s International Air Transport Co. Ltd.
11.	S.S. Travel Service Ltd.
12.	Socieda De Turisme Diversoes de Macau Sari (STDM)
13.	PT. Duta Cardindo
14.	Jetworld Air services Pvt. Ltd.
15.	Abu Dhabi Travel Bureau
16.	Galadhari Travel Agency
17.	Fujairah Air National Travel Agency (FNATA)
18.	Yusuf Bin Ahmed Kanoo WLL
19.	Loizides Bros
20.	Dubai National Air Travel Agency (DNATA)
21.	Babylon Tours Co.
22.	Alghanim Travel Agency
23.	Oman United Agencies
24.	Darwish Travel Bureau
25.	Ras-al-khaimah National Air Travel Agency (RNATA)
26.	Kanoo Travel Agency
27.	Dhahran Travel Agency
28.	Riyadh Tours & Travel Agency
29.	Arab Wings
30.	Um-Al-Qiwain National Travel Agency
31.	Ashtal Travel & Tourism Agency
32.	Societe Maritime Savon & Ries
33.	Alkarmel Travel & Tourism Trading Co. Ltd.
	AIRLINES
1.	Bulgarian Airlines (BALKAN)
2.	CSA (Ceskoslovenske Aerolinie)
3.	Air Algerie (Compagne Generale De Transports)
4.	S.A.S. (Scandinavian Airlines)
5.	Finnair O/Y
6.	Austrian Airlines
7.	Air France
8.	Hungarian Airlines (MALEV)
9.	Aer Lingus Teoranta
10.	Swiss Air
11.	Polish Airlines (Polskie Linie Lotnicze)
12.	Romanian Airlines (TAROM)(Transpourturl Aeriene Romine)
13.	Iberia (Iberia Lineas Aereas Espanolas)
14.	Turk Hava Yollari AO (Turkish Airlines)
15.	Yugolsav Airlines (JAT)
16.	Tunis Air (M/s Societe Tunisien- ne De L'Air)
17.	Royal Air Maroc
18.	Aeroflot (Aeroflot Russian International Airlines)
19.	Air Boptswana
20.	Sabena
21.	Air Afrique
22.	Ethiopian Airlines
23.	Gambia Airways
24.	Ghana Airways
25.	Kenya Airways
26.	Air Liberia
27.	Air Malawi
28.	Air Mauritius
29.	Air Zimbabwe
30.	Somali Airlines
31.	Aeronaves de Mexico
32.	Hangkhong Vietnam known as Vietnam Airlines
33.	China Airlines Limited
34.	Polynesian Airlines
35.	Air Niugini
36.	Air New Zealand
37.	CAAC (Civil Aviation Administration of China)
38.	Fiji Air Ltd. known as Air Fiji Ltd.
39.	Burma Airways Corporation (Myanmar Airways)
40.	Choson Minhang now known as Air Koryo
41.	Libyan Arab Airlines.

ITDC Tie-up With International Group of Hotels

2187. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) propose to go in for a marketing and management tie-up with certain international groups of hotels, if so, what are the details in this regard;